

Charles W. Price, CIA Attorney, Virginia Graduate

Charles Whitney Price, 43, an attorney with the Central Intelligence Agency for the last 11 years, was found dead last Thursday in his hotel room in Zurich, Switzerland.

A CIA spokesman said that the cause of death has not been established. Mr. Price was on a leave of absence from his post in the general counsel's office. He left for Europe on Labor Day, the spokesman said, to seek treatment for a stomach cancer in Switzerland.

Mr. Price, who lived at 1657 Thirty-second street N.W. was born in Louisville, Ky. After high school, he attended the University of Virginia, where he was graduated with a law degree.

Upon graduation, Mr. Price returned to Louisville. He served with the legal research and review branch of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

When World War II broke out Mr. Price entered the Navy and served until 1946. He held the rank of lieutenant commander in the Naval Reserve. He had served in the Pacific campaign during the war.

In 1946 Mr. Price joined the Office of Naval Review. Two years later he left that office to go with CIA.

He leaves a son, Charles M., attending school in New England; his mother, Mrs. Clarence Price, and a sister, Mrs. Howard O. Hunn, both of Louisville.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.